THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent available.

Maoists in Nepal

†1093. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Maoists residing in Nepal are still continuing to make venomous utterances against India;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether Government has alerted Government of Nepal in this regard and requested to prevent the destabilisation of Indo-Nepal relations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) Government is aware of Statements made by some leaders of the Unified Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist) against India.

(c) and (d) Such Statements have been taken up with the leadership of the Government of Nepal, who have stated that these do not reflect the views or policies of the Government of Nepal.

Circulation of fake currency

1094. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the cases of circulation of fake currency notes are noted during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that common man is facing a lot of problems due to this; and

(d) the steps Government is taking in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) The details of fake Indian currency notes noted during the last three years are as under:—

(All figures in pieces)

Denomination	2006	2007*	2008*
1	2	3	4
Rs. 1	34	0	0
Rs. 2	60	0	0

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4
Rs. 5	869	71	3
Rs. 10	3653	345	139
Rs. 20	1392	826	544
Rs. 50	30570	19746	16938
Rs. 100	220419	222330	184386
Rs. 500	81400	121425	253467
Rs. 1000	19610	20772	42888

(*) Figures are Provisional

(c) and (d) The steps taken by the Government to curb the fake Indian Currency Notes in the country include stepping up of vigilance by the Border Security Force and Custom authorities to prevent smuggling of fake notes; dissemination of information on security features through print and electronic media and formation of Forged Note Vigilance Cells in all the Head offices of the banks. Additional security features have also been incorporated in the bank notes which will make counterfeiting very difficult. In addition, Government of India has nominated the Central Bureau of Investigation as the Nodal Agency to monitor investigation of fake currency note cases. The Reserve Bank of India has also strengthened the mechanism of detection of counterfeit notes by the Banks.

Retaining of existing scale

1095. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons that Government servants in terms of Explanation 1 to Rule 5 of Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008 have option to retain the existing scale under the provision to the said Rule in respect of one existing scale only;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and whether Government proposes to allow all Government servants to opt for implementation of Sixth Pay Commission from the date of their promotion and or date of increment, etc. from the future date even if they have earned more than one scales between the period 1st January, 2006 to 1st September, 2008;

(c) if so, by when Government proposes to issue revised orders; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) to (d) As a result of the implementation of revised pay scales on account of Pay Commission's recommendations, all Government Servants have the option to get their pay fixed under the revised pay structure. The option can be exercised either from the date of